



# Friday Flyer

**Dear Walter Families,**

As many of my fellow drivers will be experiencing; the traffic is horrendous and so my journey can take me a very long time, especially in the mornings as I live in Emmer Green! However, it is always worth the struggle as I love my job so much and feel so lucky to work alongside all your wonderful children and my amazing colleagues.

Today was even more special as our assembly began with the Walter Music Club Singers singing beautifully! They did a tear jerking rendition of 'Make you own kind of Music' and it was brilliant! Well done Miss Rose and all the talented singers!



## **Reindeer coming to school**

The reindeer will be here on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019; this will be a truly wonderful day. We have noticed that only just over one third of our families have contributed £2 towards the cost of the visit. Please could you bring the money in on Monday morning if possible. There will be an opportunity for you to see the reindeer with younger and older siblings at the end of the school day, to take photographs with the reindeer, and learn more about them. The PTA will be selling delicious biscuits for £1:00 and crafts for 50p at the end of the day; so please bring a little change if you can. Thank you.



### Elves in School

As you know, real Festive Elves are coming to school on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December; they will be giving every child an early Christmas present of a book! If you are able to make a contribution of £1.50 and have forgotten, please let Mrs Hemmings or Mrs Janes know.

### Snow White on Ice

Year 1 and Year 2 will all be going to Bracknell to see Snow White on Ice; many families have already made a payment of £12. If you have forgotten to make a payment, please do so by 25<sup>th</sup> November. If you will have difficulty making a payment, please speak to the office team in confidence. If we do not have the consent forms back we will not be able to take your child offsite. Thank you.



### Raffle Tickets

We will be selling raffle tickets every day after school next week; we have so many absolutely amazing prizes (I have attached a list) so please buy lots and lots of tickets; as they say “**You have to be in it to win it!**” Thank you.

*We now have more parents wishing to run a stall for 10% donation to the school, if you would like to do something similar, please speak to Mrs Hemmings or Mrs Janes in the school office.*

**Thank you so much for all your contributions to our stalls: if you still need to make a contribution you can do so next week too.**

Class	What to Bring	Examples of Gifts
Pine and Sycamore	Gifts for Dads (limit £3)	New toiletries, socks, chocolates, keyrings, etc.
Beech and Larch	Gifts for Mums (limit £3)	New toiletries, chocolates, stationery, scarves etc.
Oak and Willow	Small new toys for Toy Tombola (limit £3)	New playing or Top Trump cards, stationery (pens, notebooks), small puzzles, construction sets, toy cars, soft toys, craft sets etc.
Robin, Dove, Magpie and Woodpecker	Sweets and Chocolates	Small boxes of chocolates, Christmas confectionery, Advent Calendars, chocolate orange, Haribo, etc.

### World Food Stall @ Walter's

Thank you so much to the families who have agreed to make donations to our **WORLD FOOD STALL:**

If you are able to contribute samosas, pakoras, pizzas, tapas, spring rolls, sausage rolls, mince pies, cheese straws, stollen in fact anything that is tasty and from anywhere in the world that people will enjoy eating. I know there will be some delicious homemade curry available! I have attached a label to accompany your donations. Thank you so much.

If you are happy to make a contribution; please email Mrs Janes or Mrs Hemmings on [admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@walter.wokingham.sch.uk) or talk to them in the office to let us know. Thank you.

**ELF MAIL:** We have recruited 5 real elves to work in our post room and Mother Christmas is coming too! All our children, and their siblings, older and younger, can complete the letter template that was sent home today. We will send an electronic copy home as well; it will cost £3:00 to post which also covers the return costs from the NORTH POLE! We guarantee a reply before Christmas from Father Christmas himself. This was one of our biggest fundraisers last year!



### **The Cake Sale at the Christmas Fair for the PTA**

If you are willing to bake things for the PTA to sell at the Christmas Fair, please could you email [walterinfantspa@gmail.com](mailto:walterinfantspa@gmail.com) where they will give you more information. There are lots of amazing cupcake ideas and recipes on the internet!

**The PTA would still like 10 more bakers;** last year the Christmas Bake Sale was a huge fundraiser for the PTA so please get your aprons on!



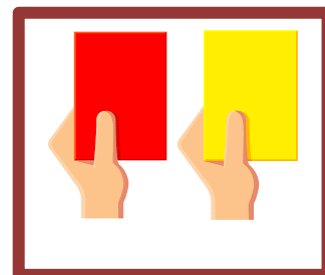
### **Head Bumps**

As you know, we will telephone you to let you know if your child has bumped their head, even if it is a minor bump; concussions and compressions happen when the brain is shaken so we like to take every precaution to keep your children safe and well.

### **Football at Walter Infant School**

We have had some incidences when some of the boys in Year 2 have not been playing fairly or respectfully on the football pitch; they have been spoken to about their behaviour and this week we had to cancel the Year 2 football session due to behaviours that had been displayed earlier in the week! This morning in assembly we learned some new expectations for football; they are:

1. Treat each other kindly and with respect
2. Only kick the ball
3. Avoid touching, pushing or pulling
4. Speak politely to each other using respectful language
5. Select fairly balanced teams
6. Have a referee!



### **House of Colour**

There will be a House of Colour Christmas Shopping Event held at Walter Infant School on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019; tickets are available from your local House of Colour Consultant: [Sue.selisko@houseofcolour.co.uk](mailto:Sue.selisko@houseofcolour.co.uk) 07510223785. There is an Early Bird Deal; if you book before 23<sup>rd</sup> November you will receive two free prize draw tickets.

### Wokingham Food Bank

We are able to provide food bank vouchers for anyone who needs one; as Christmas comes closer, they will have lots of special treats for families, such as advent calendars, boxes of chocolates and biscuits, mince pies and so on. If you need a voucher, please speak to Mrs Janes in the office in strictest confidence.

### Bags to School 2019

The collection day for Bags to School will be on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November**. Please bring your bags to school on the Tuesday morning and leave them on the train in the playground for collection (unless you arrange to have them collected). Thank you very much; this is a wonderful opportunity to declutter before Christmas and the school holidays, to recycle and make money for our school.

### Thank you!

As staff, we recognise that we have been asking for lots of support just recently to ensure your children are having lots of highly exciting and memorable experiences and as part of our fundraising; we do not want anyone to feel under pressure to make a contribution. We are very grateful to those who are able to.

Please feel free to telephone the school or contact me via email if you have any questions, queries or concerns. [head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:head@walter.wokingham.sch.uk)

I have attached a leaflet for parents, which has been forwarded to me from: Linda Stacey - Community Education Coordinator. Please note we do not have any Learning Support Vacancies at the moment, but we may do in the future.

Have a lovely weekend.

Judy Wheeler: Headteacher      22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019

### Dates for you diary

25 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Reindeers coming to school
29 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Christmas Fair
3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2019	The Elves are coming.....
3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2019	Beech Nativity
4 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Larch Nativity
5 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Oak Nativity
12 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Y1 & Y2 Snow White on Ice
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Christmas Jumper Day
13 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	FS1 & FS2 Christmas Songs

<b>13<sup>th</sup> December 2019</b>	iRock Concert
<b>16<sup>th</sup> December 2019</b>	Violin Assembly
<b>17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Y2 Christmas Concert
<b>18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Party Day
<b>20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Last Day of Term – finishing 1 hour early